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High Lake Fire: Trail and Area Closure Implemented

Prairie City, OR- Trail and area closures have been implemented in the vicinity of the High Lake Fire, burning since August 13, in the Strawberry Wilderness. The fire, a result of lightning activity, is estimated at 110 acres with smoldering and areas of active fire.

The closure includes:

- Skyline Trail (#385) is closed at High Lake Rim Trailhead, located at the north end of Forest Road 1640, to junction of Trail #385 and Mud Lake Trail (#379).
- Lake Creek Trail (#378) is closed 1.5 miles north of Lake Creek Trailhead, located at north end of Forest Road 0924, to High Lake.
- All areas within the perimeter description are part of the closure.

This order is in place due to the fire burning through the area and is needed to ensure the safety of the general public from the effects of continued burning within the fire area and falling snags.

A detailed area closure description and map are available at all Malheur National Forest offices as well as online at http://www.fs.usda.gov/malheur/

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